

Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application



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the specification of which (check one) [] is attached hereto [x] was filed on **May 2, 1997**, as Application Ser. No. **08/853,035** and was amended on _____ (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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Prior Foreign/PCT Application(s) and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. §119: Priority
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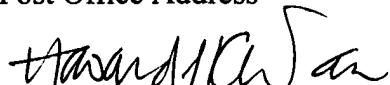
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In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration of which we acknowledge receipt,

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